"The Steering Committee's mission is to identify, pursue and implement with City Council approval and open public participation, appropriate development and funding for the St. Marys Intracoastal Gateway. The Committee's vision is to create a citizen and visitor destination while guaranteeing public access, environmental enhancement, and economic development which is fully compatible with the Historic District of St. Marys"

The Gateway Committee was formed by the St Marys City Council to manage the development of the Gateway property. In this regard, the Committee has established development objectives, championed Gateway improvements, issued RFQ/RFPs, developed the current property concept, negotiated with a potential developer and otherwise furthered the development of the property.

The Gateway Committee meets on the second Thursday of each month as needed to review and champion Gateway improvements and initiatives. Currently, the Committee has voted to recommend that the City enter into an agreement with a well known, experienced Georgia company to identify and pursue a development company to negotiate, design, construct and operate a development which meets Gateway objectives and current concept. It will be the Gateway Committee responsibility, with DDA assistance, to negotiate with that development company, a development agreement acceptable to the City and development objectives.

Gateway Committee Position Qualifications include the following:

- 1. Proven leadership and passion for promoting St Marys growth, Gateway objectives and successful project completion.
- 2. Willingness to attend Gateway meetings, express opinions and assume project roles and duties to further Gateway objectives and related initiatives.
- 3. Strong communication skills, flexibility and open mindedness closely working with other Committee members with a common objective.
- 4. Preference will be given to applicants that have subject matter marketing, financial, development, engineering and architectural knowledge and experience.

NOTE:

No applicant will be accepted that has a potential or actual interest in the Gateway development or property including adjacent property.